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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
SECURITY COMMITTEE
COMPARTMENTATION SUBCOMMITTEE

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, DCI Security Committee

SUBJECT: Annual Report of the DCI Security Committee
Compartmentation Subcommittee

Attached is the annual report of the DCI Security Committee Com-
partmentation Subcommittee for 1981.



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Chairman, Compartmentation
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REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE (DCI)SECURITY COMMITTEE (SECOM)

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COMPARTMENTATION SUBCOMMITTEEFOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY THROUGH 31 DECEMBER 1981

☐ EXECUTIVE SUMMARY. The basic mission of the Compartmentation Subcommittee is to provide technical guidance and recommendations on Sensitive Compartmented Information (SCI) physical and administrative security matters. As virtually all members of the Subcommittee also served on various APEX groups until 31 July 1981 when the DCI Committee on Compartmentation (COCOMP) was disestablished, Subcommittee efforts during this period were largely limited to updating the DCID 1/20 listing of "Hazardous Areas." Subsequent to the demise of the COCOMP, the Subcommittee was given the task of drafting a SCI Security Manual--one of the "good things" to be salvaged from the APEX program.

1. ☐ Authority and Mission of the Compartmentation Subcommittee. The DCI SECOM Compartmentation Subcommittee was established pursuant to Attachment 3 (Compartmentation), DCID 1/11, Security Committee, effective 18 May 1976. Its basic mission is, through the DCI SECOM, to:

a. Develop and recommend technical guidance for the establishment, maintenance and improvement of coordinated Sensitive Compartmented Information (SCI) systems.

b. Formulate, coordinate, maintain and promulgate technical guidance for use in the administration of SCI controls at all echelons of Intelligence Community organizations, both domestic and overseas, including consultants and contractor support activities to include: Access approval criteria and employment in hazardous duty areas; physical security; document identification, handling, accountability and destruction; and ADP and associated materials.

c. Furnish technical guidance and assistance to the COMIREX and SIGINT Committees, and to the Executive Agents of other SCI programs in connection with their sanitization, downgrading, declassification and decontrol responsibilities.

d. Review and survey the security standards, practices and procedures used by Intelligence Community organizations and their contractors in relation to approved SCI policies, procedures and controls; and make recommendations for practical improvements.

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e. Provide advice and guidance to foreign governments participating in US SCI activities.

f. Recommend security policies governing the release or disclosure of SCI to the public, foreign governments or international organizations in which the US participates.

25X1 2. Identification of Agency Providing Chairman and Staff. The Chairman [] and Executive Secretary (Mr [] have been provided by the Department of the Air Force. [] replaced [] in August 1981. The Subcommittee has no other staff members, per se.

25X1 3. Extent of Intelligence Community Participation. All Intelligence Community agencies and departments represented on the Subcommittee wholeheartedly supported its mission and were responsive in fulfilling their individual tasks. The Subcommittee currently consists of representatives from the following Intelligence Community agencies and departments:

25X1 Central Intelligence Agency

Defense Intelligence Agency

National Security Agency

Department of State

25X1 Department of Energy

Department of Justice

Department of the Army

Department of the Navy

Department of the Air Force

Office of Space Systems, Department of the Air Force

DCI SECOM Staff (Observer)

NOTE: Membership on the Subcommittee by other agencies and departments represented on the DCI SECOM would be welcomed at any time.

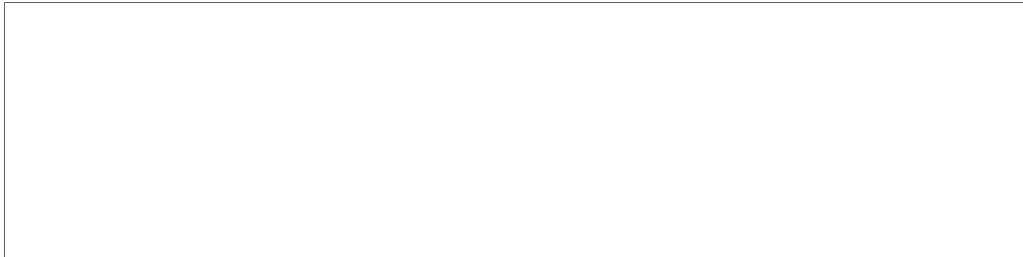
25X1 4. Principal Activities. During 1981, the Compartmentation Subcommittee was involved in the following activities:

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a. [] Five meetings of the full Subcommittee were held during this reporting period. Commencing in September 1981, the policy of the Subcommittee Chairman has been to hold meetings at least monthly unless there is no business to discuss. In addition to these meetings, there was a significant exchange of information and coordination on other matters among members which was driven by their Subcommittee association.

b. [] The attachment to DCID 1/20 contains a listing of "Countries and Areas in Which Visits, Travel, and Assignment are Considered to be a Hazardous Activity." The Subcommittee reviewed these countries and areas during its meetings in 1981. As provided in the basic DCID 1/20, the review was based on the need to protect SCI from possible compromise resulting from the capture, interrogation, exploitation, or entrapment of personnel by hostile nations or groups. As a result of the Subcommittee's deliberations on this matter, the following changes were recommended to the DCID 1/20 listing of "Hazardous Areas:"



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The above recommendations were subsequently approved and adopted by the NFIB as a formal change to DCID 1/20 on 3 April 1981.

c. [] The Compartmentation Subcommittee was tasked in March 1980 to arrange for the compilation and analysis of information bearing on security policy regarding unofficial travel to the USSR. The SECOM desired recommendations as significant material is received. As members had never submitted any relevant information on this matter, the Chairman raised the issue before the SECOM. Subsequent to a discussion of the matter, the DCI SECOM Chairman rescinded the March 1980 tasking and directed that any reporting on this matter be submitted on an "as required" basis.

d. A manual for all common SCI security policies and procedures, similar to the APEX Security Manual, was proposed by the DCI COCOMP. On 20 May 1981, COCOMP determined that there was community support for such a manual. On 9 June 1981, the DDCI brought the SCI Manual issue before the NFIB and the consensus of the Board favored proceeding with a manual on SCI security policy. The manual--to be issued as the revised DCID 1/19--would also include several related DCI policy statements. When the COCOMP was disestablished on 31 July 1981, revision of DCID 1/19 was remanded to the SECOM for completion. The SECOM Staff completed a preliminary draft of DCID 1/19 and then

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tasked the Compartmentation Subcommittee with completing the draft. The Compartmentation Subcommittee established a Working Group to prepare a new draft for Subcommittee consideration. By the end of this reporting period, a new draft had been prepared by the Working Group and approved by the full Subcommittee with the exception of some relatively minor administrative changes. We anticipate submission of a finalized version of DCID 1/19 to the DCI SECOM Chairman in early January 1982.

e. [] The Compartmentation Subcommittee noted with pleasure issuance of DCID 1/7, Control of Dissemination of Intelligence Information, effective 4 May 1981. This DCID was basically the effort of Subcommittee efforts during 1979 and 1980.

5. [] Major Accomplishments. The major accomplishments of the Compartmentation Subcommittee are basically as detailed in paragraph 4, above.

6. [] Highlights of Work in Progress. This is as described in paragraph 4d, above.

7. [] General Work Plan for 1982. In addition to matters already discussed above, and with the discontinuance of plans to implement the APEX Control System, the Compartmentation Subcommittee looks forward to tasking on security matters formerly assigned to the APEX Security Group/COCOMP in the past two years. In any event, the Subcommittee stands ready to assist, as required, and to perform any other duties as tasked by the Chairman, DCI SECOM in 1982.

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Chairman, Compartmentation
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